

## REFERENCES AND REVIEWS

EARLY PHYSIOLOGIC NEPHRO-UROGRAPHY AS A TEST OF KIDNEY FUNCTION—R. L. Siggers. Radiology—Vol. 77:452 (Sept.) 1961.

Intravenous pyelography, if performed early enough after injection of contrast medium, will serve as a test of renal function. On films obtained at one-minute intervals beginning a minute after commencement of the injection, arterial insufficiency of the kidney is defined by the difference in rapidity of appearance of the calyceal phase on the two sides. The Goldblatt kidney can therefore be defined by pyelography. Two illustrative cases are recorded.

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CYSTIC HEMANGIOBLASTOMA OF PONS—J. Myers, M. Scott, and A. Silverstein. J. Neurosurg.—Vol. 18:694 (Sept.) 1961.

A case of cystic hemangioblastoma of the pons is reported. The authors believe this to be the first report of this lesion within the pons. A review of criteria for diagnosis and brief discussion of hemangioblastomas is included.

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A DETACHABLE CURTAIN RAIL—B. R. Frisby. Lancet—Vol. 2:297 (Aug. 5) 1961.

Window and bed curtains have been shown to be a rich source of pathogenic organisms. Unhooking the curtains for laundering is exhausting and tedious. This invention enables curtains to be taken down in a matter of seconds

on a piece of rail. Curtains of terylene are dipped in 1 per cent Tego MHG, drip-dried in half an hour and replaced, when they remain free from pathogens for a week.

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NEURENTERIC CYSTS: REPORT OF A CASE OF NEURENTERIC CYST WITH ASSOCIATED CHRONIC MENINGITIS AND HYDROCEPHALUS—F. E. Jackson. J. Neurosurg.—Vol. 18:678 (Sept.) 1961.

A case of a child with a surgically proved neurenteric cyst with associated chronic meningitis and hydrocephalus is reported. The embryology of this defect is discussed. An analysis of the histology of the cyst and its similarity, in parts, to primitive mesenchymal tissue suggests the mechanism of development of this anomaly.

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FOX-FORDYCE DISEASE—L. F. Montes, R. M. Caplan, G. M. Riley, and A. C. Curtis. Arch. Derm.—Vol. 84:452 (Sept.) 1961.

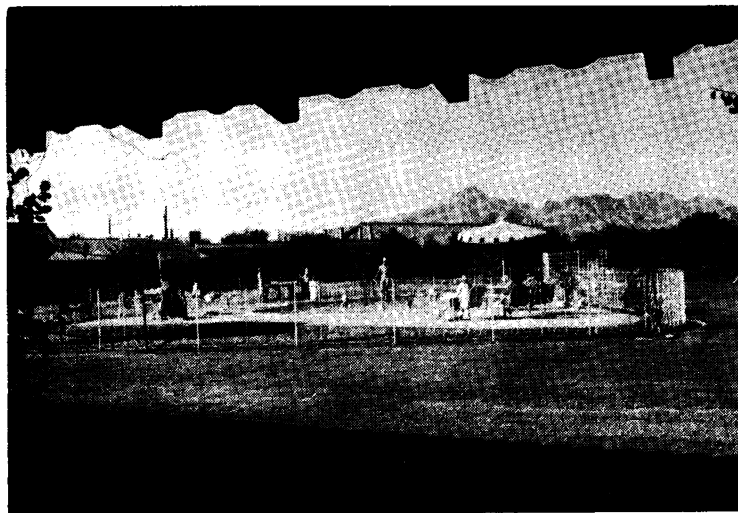
A series of endocrinological studies was performed in a woman with Fox-Fordyce disease. Correlation existed between higher premenstrual gonadotropin levels and increased premenstrual pruritus.

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ASTROCYTOMAS AND ABO BLOOD GROUPS—B. Selverstone and D. R. Cooper. J. Neurosurg.—Vol. 18:602 (Sept.) 1961.

In a statistical study of 139 consecutive patients with astrocytomas of all grades, a highly significant decrease was found in the expected number of patients from blood groups O and B, as compared with control group from the

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